FISCAL NOTE

HB 1436 - SB 1863

March 3, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Commissioner of Education to issue career ladder level I certification to those teachers who, as of June 13, 1997, had successfully completed the requirements for qualification but whose documentation was not processed by the Department of Education through no fault of the teacher.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

This estimate assumes the following:

- There are very few teachers who, by June 1997, had successfully completed the requirements for Level I certification but who had not been processed through the system.
- The additional cost to a local education agency (LEA) for a teacher with Level I certification is \$1,000 per teacher. Therefore, the additional increase in local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.
- The additional staff time required in the Department of Education to process these few applications is estimated to be not significant and can be absorbed within the department's existing budget.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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